

Child Care and Development Fund
FACT SHEET
July, 2009
Montana

Caseload

- 5,824 children were served this month in this program
- 3,414 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 8.3% of the families entered the program during this period
- Yellowstone County accounted for 22.4% of all families served

Children

- 83.8% of children were served in licensed care
- 11.3% of children were cared for by relatives
- Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 132 hours per month
- School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 28.1% of all children served
- White children accounted for 79.3% of all children served

Families

- 77.0% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 2.9% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.8
- 88.2% of families were headed by a single parent
- 17.0% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$458 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 5.0% of the cost and the program paid 95.0%
- Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$453
- Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$444
- 72.7% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in Wibaux County at \$657 per child
- Madison County ranks first in relative care statewide with 100.0% of all children cared for by relatives.
- The county with the greatest percent of TANF recipients in the caseload was Judith Basin County, where 50.0% of families receiving child care subsidies also received income from TANF